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| REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING | 05/22/07 (inception) | AND ENDING | 12/31/07 |
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| A. REGI | STRANT IDENTIFI | CATION | |
| NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Ascendant Fin | ancial Partners, LLC | | OFFICIAL USE ONLY |
| ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSIN | NESS: (Do not use P.O. I | Box No.) | FIRM I.D. NO. |
| 5555 DTC Parkway, Suite A-4000 | | | |
| | (No. and Street) | | |
| Greenwood Village | со | | 80111 |
| (City) | (State) | | (Zip Code) |
| NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PER Susan Wyka | SON TO CONTACT IN | REGARD TO THIS R | EPORT (303) 221-4700 |
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| B. ACCO | UNTANT IDENTIF | ICATION | |
| INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT wh GHP Horwath, P.C. | ose opinion is contained | | |
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| ☐ Certified Public Accountant | MAR 3 1 | 2008 £ | MAR 2 02008 |
| ☐ Public Accountant | THOMS | | eshington, DC |
| ☐ Accountant not resident in Unite | d States or any of its pos | essions. | 101 |
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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

| | san Wyka | , swear (or affirm) that, to the best of |
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| my kno | owledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and | l supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of |
| | cendant Financial Partners, LLC | , as |
| of Dec | ecember 31, , 20 <u>07</u> | _, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that |
| neither | the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer of | or director has any proprietary interest in any account |
| | ied solely as that of a customer, except as follows: | |
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| X (a) X (b) | n) Facing Page. b) Statement of Financial Condition. | |
| | c) Statement of Income (Loss). | |
| | 1) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition. | |
| ⊠ (a) | e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners | or Sole Proprietors' Capital. |
| □ (n) | Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claim | s of Creditors. |
| X (g | g) Computation of Net Capital. | |
| (h) | (a) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements | Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3. |
| <u>⊠</u> (i) |) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Require | ments Under Rule 1503-3. |
| □ (j) | A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the | Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 1303-1 and the |
| | Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requireme | mis Under Exhibit A of Rule 1303-3. |
| □ (k | k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited State | ments of Financial Condition with respect to methods of |
| 121 (1) | consolidation. l) An Oath or Affirmation. | |
| XJ (1) □ (m | n) An Oath of Affirmation. m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report. | |
| IXI (n | n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exis | t or found to have existed since the date of the previous audi |
| | See pages 20-22. | |
| **For | r conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of t | his filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3). |
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| | (o) Independent auditors' report. | |
| IXI (r | p) Independent auditors' report on internal control. | |

ASCENDANT FINANCIAL PARTNERS, LLC (A COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY)

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007



GHP Horwath, P.C. 1670 Broadway, Suite 3000 Denver, Colorado 80202 303.831.5000 303.831.5032 Fax www.GHPHorwath.com

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Member of Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC as of December 31, 2007, and the related statements of income (loss), changes in ownership equity, and cash flows for the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC at December 31, 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying information contained in the computations of net capital, net capital requirement and aggregate indebtedness, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

March 13, 2008

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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| | STATEMENT OF FI | | IDITION FOF THER BROK! | | RRYING, NONCLEARING AN DEALERS | 1D | | |
| | | | | as (| of (MM/DD/YY) 12/31/(SEC FILE NO. 8-6755 | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 99 98 198 199 |
| | | | Allowab | <u>le</u> | Non-Allowable | | <u>Total</u> | |
| 1. (| Cash | \$ | 11,734 | 200 | | \$ | 11,734 | 750 |
| ٠, | | 3 | | 295 300 | ¢ [ii | 50 | Г | 810 |
| | B. Other | <u> </u> | | 355 | * | 00 3 | 29,159 | 830 |
| 4. | Receivable from non-customers Securities and spot commodities owned at market value: | | | | 29,109 0 | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | | |
| | A. Exempted securities | | | 418 | | | | |
| | C. Options | | | 420 424 | | | | |
| | D. Other securities E. Spot commodities | · | | 430 | | | [| 850 |
| | E. Spot commoditiesSecurities and/or other investments | 4 | | | | | | |
| | not readily marketable: A. At cost 2 \$ 130 | | | | _ | | 1 | |
| | B. At estimated fair value | | | 440 | <u></u> | 510 | | 86D |
| 6. | Securities borrowed under subordination | | | | | | | |
| | agreements and partners' individual and capital | | | 460 | П | 530 | 1 | 880 |
| | securities accounts, at market value: | | | 400 | | 000 | | |
| | A. Exempted securities \$ 150 | | | | | | | |
| | B. Other | | | | | | | |
| | securities \$ 160 | | | | Б | 640 | ı | 890 |
| 7. | Secured demand notes: | | | 470 | | 640 | | [630] |
| | Market value of collateral: A. Exempted | | | | | | | |
| | securities \$ 170 | | | | | | | |
| | B. Other | | | | | | | |
| | securities \$ 180 | | | | | | | |
| 8. | Memberships in exchanges: A. Owned, at | | | | | | | |
| | market \$ 190 | | | | _ | | | |
| | B. Owned, at cost | | | | | 650 | | |
| | C. Contributed for use of the company, at | | | | _ | | | |
| | market value | ** | | • | 6 | 660 | | 900 |
| 9. | Investment in and receivables from affiliates, | | | | ľ | 670 | | 910 |
| | subsidiaries and associated partnerships | ·· | | 480 | | 010 | | 1 310 |
| 10. | Property, furniture, equipment, leasehold | | | | | | | |
| | improvements and rights under lease agreements, | | | | | | | |
| | at cost-net of accumulated depreciation and | | | 400 | , ₋₄₀ [| 680 \ | , 740 | 920 |
| | amortization | _ | | 490 535 | 74 <u>0</u> | 735 | 8 | 930 |
| | Other assets | | 11,734 | 535 | 29,899 | 740 | \$ 41,633 | 940 |
| 12. | TOTAL ASSETS | | 11,734 | 1 340 | - 20,000 | 124 | , | 79 |

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as of 12/31/07

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION FOR NONCARRYING, NONCLEARING AND CERTAIN OTHER BROKERS OR DEALERS

LIABILITIES AND OWNERSHIP EQUITY

| Liabilities | | A.I. <u>Liabilities</u> | Non-A.I. <u>Liabilities</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 13. Bank loans payable | • | 1045 | 1255 1 ₁₃ | \$ 1470 |
| 14. Payable to brokers or dealers: | Ψ | | | |
| A. Clearance account | | [1114] | 1315 | 1560 |
| B. Other | 10 | 1115 | 1305 | 1540 |
| 15. Payable to non-customers | | 1155 | . 1355 | 1610 |
| 16. Securities sold not yet purchased, | | | | |
| at market value | | | | 1520 |
| 17. Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, | | | | 10 506 (100) |
| expenses and other | | 13,536 1205 | 1385 | 13,536 1685 |
| 18. Notes and mortgages payable: | | F | | [Jenn] |
| A. Unsecured | | 1210 | [dood] - | 1690 |
| B. Secured | | 1211 | 1390 | 4 1700] |
| E. Liabilities subordinated to claims | | | | |
| of general creditors: | | | 1400 | 1710 |
| A. Cash borrowings: | | | | |
| 1. from outsiders \$ 970 | | | | |
| 2. includes equity subordination (15c3-1(d)) | | | | |
| of \$980] | | | 1410 | 1720 |
| B. Securities borrowings, at market value | | | | |
| nom outsiders 4 | | | | |
| C. Pursuant to secured demand note | | | 1420 | [1730] |
| collateral agreements | | | | |
| 2. includes equity subordination (15c3-1(d)) | | | | |
| of \$ 1010 | | | | |
| D. Exchange memberships contributed for | | | | |
| use of company, at market value | | | 1430 | 1740 |
| E. Accounts and other borrowings not | | | | |
| qualified for net capital purposes | | 1220 | 6,033 1440 | 6,033_ 1750 |
| 20. TOTAL LIABILITIES | \$ | 13,536 1230 5 | 6,033 1450 | \$ 19,569 1760 |
| Ownership Faulty | | | • | . \$ \[\int \] |
| 21. Sole Proprietorship | Y., /\$ | 22.064 [1020]) | 1: | 22,064 1780 |
| | 11 (4 | 22,00+ (020) | | |
| 23. Corporation: A. Preferred stock | | | | [1791] |
| B. Common stock | | | | 1792 |
| C. Additional paid-in capital | | | | 1793 |
| D. Retained earnings | | | | 1794 |
| E. Total | | | | 1795 |
| F. Less capital stock in treasury | *************** | | Υ, | |
| 24. TOTAL OWNERSHIP EQUITY | | | | \$ 22,064 1800 |
| 25. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OWNERSHIP EQUIT | | | | \$ 41,633 1810 |
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| BROKER OR DEALER | Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC | as of _ | 12/31/07 |
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COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL

| 1. 2. 3. | Total ownership equity from Statement of Financial Condition | \$ _ 19 _ | 22,064 3480 () 3490 22,064 3500 |
|----------------|---|--------------|--|
| 4. | Add: A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital B. Other (deductions) or allowable credits (List) | | 3520 3525 |
| 5. | Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities | ٠. | 22,064 3530 |
| 6. | Deductions and/or charges: A. Total non-allowable assets from Statement of Financial Condition (Notes B and C) | | |
| | C. Commodity futures contracts and spot commodities – proprietary capital charges | | 29,899) 3620 |
| 7. | Other additions and/or allowable credits (List) | _ | 3630 |
| 8. | Net capital before haircuts on securities positions | 20 \$ | (7,835) 3640 |
| 9. | Haircuts on securities (computed, where applicable, pursuant to 15c3-1(1)): A. Contractual securities commitments | | |
| | C. Trading and investment securities: 1. Exempted securities 2. Debt securities 3733 3 Options 3734 | | |
| | 4. Other securities 3734 D. Undue Concentration 3650 E. Other (List) 3736 | 1 |)[3740] |
| 10 | Net Capital | . \$ | (7,835) 3750 |

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| PART IIA | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------------------|
| BROKER OR DEALER Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC | as of <u>12/</u> | 31/07 |
| COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT | | |
| Part A | | |
| 11. Minimum net capital required (62/% of line 19) | \$ | 902 3756 |
| 11. Minimum net capital required (6 ² / ₃ % of line 19) | | |
| of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A) | \$ | 5,000 3758 |
| of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A) | | 5,000 3760 |
| 14. Excess net capital (line 10 less 13) | . | (12,835) 3770 (9,189) 3780 |
| COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS | | |
| 16. Total A.I. liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition | s | 13,536 3790 |
| 17 Add: | | |
| A. Drafts for immediate credit | 3800 | |
| Market value of convities borrowed for which no equivalent value. | | |
| is paid or credited | 3810 | 2020 |
| C. Other unrecorded amounts (List)\$ | 3820 \$ | 13,536 3840 |
| 18. Total aggregate indebtedness | | 13,536 3840 (173)% 3850 |
| 19. Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital (line 18 ÷ by line 10) | | 3860 |
| 20. Percentage of debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1(d) | | |
| COMPUTATION OF ALTERNATE NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT | | |

Part B

| 21. 2% of combined aggregate debit items as shown in Formula for Reserve Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 prepared as of the date of the net capital computation including both brokers or dealers and consolidated subsidiaries' debits | s _ | <u>.</u> 3970 |
|---|------------|---------------|
| subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A) | 3 \$ | 3880 |
| 23. Net capital requirement (greater of line 21 or 22) | \$_ | 3760 |
| 24. Excess capital (line 10 less 23) | \$ | 3910 |
| 25. Net capital in excess of the greater of: A. 5% of combined aggregate debit items or \$120,000 | \$ | 3920 |

NOTES:

- (A) The minimum net capital requirement should be computed by adding the minimum dollar net capital requirement of the reporting broker dealer and, for each subsidiary to be consolidated, the greater of:
 - 1. Minimum dollar net capital requirement , or
 - 2. 64,% of aggregate indebtedness or 4% of aggregate debits if alternative method is used.
- (B) Do not deduct the value of securities borrowed under subordination agreements or secured demand note covered by subordination agreements not in satisfactory form and the market values of memberships in exchanges contributed for use of company (contra to item 1740) and partners' securities which were included in non-allowable
- (C) For reports filed pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 17a-5, respondent should provide a list of material non-allowable assets.

BROKER OR DEALER Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC For the period (MMDDYY) from 4 (inception) 3932 to 12/31/07 3933 Number of months included in this statement STATEMENT OF INCOME (LOSS) REVENUE 1. Commissions: 3935 a. Commissions on transactions in exchange listed equity securities executed on an exchange 3938 3939 c. All other securities commissions 3940 d. Total securities commissions 2. Gains or losses on firm securities trading accounts 3945 a. From market making in options on a national securities exchange 3949 b. From all other trading 3950 c. Total gain (loss) 3952 3. Gains or losses on firm securities investment accounts 3955 3970 Revenue from sale of investment company shares 3990 Commodities revenue 3975 Fees for account supervision, investment advisory and administrative services 3995 Other revenue79.76279,762 4030 Total revenue **EXPENSES** 39,257 10. Salaries and other employment costs for general partners and voting stockholder officers 11. Other employee compensation and benefits 2,282 4115 4140 12. Commissions paid to other broker-dealers 13. Interest expense 4075 a. Includes interest on accounts subject to subordination agreements 1.150 14. Regulatory fees and expenses 40.009 4100 15. Other expenses 4200 16. Total expenses **NET INCOME** 17. Income (loss) before Federal income taxes and items below (item 9 less Item 16) 4220 19. Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated subsidiaries not included above 4222 a. After Federal income taxes of 4224 20. Extraordinary gains (losses) a. After Federal income taxes of 4225 21. Currulative effect of changes in accounting principles (2,936)4230 22. Net income (loss) after Federal income taxes and extraordinary items

MONTHLY INCOME

| BF | ROKER OR DEALER Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC | | |
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| | | For the period (MMDDYY) from05/22/(incepti | 07 to 12/31/07 |
| | STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ((SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, PARTNER | OWNERSHIP EQUITY | , |
| 1. | Balance, beginning of period | | 0 4240 (2,936) 4250 30,000 4260 (5,000) 4270 |
| 2. | Balance, end of period (From item 1800) | | 22,064 4290 |
| | STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIAB TO CLAIMS OF GENERA | | |
| 3. | Balance, beginning of period | •141714 | 4300 4310 4320 |
| 4 | · | \$ | 4330 |

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| L | | EXEMPTI | VE PROVISION | UNDER I | RULE 15c3-3 | | | |
| A. B. C. | (k)(1) — \$2,500 capita (k)(2)(A) — "Special Ad (k)(2)(B) — All custom Name of clearing firm" ₃₀ (k)(3) — Exempted by (k)(2)(i) See attached Ownersh | order of the Commission (include copy | orners" maintain r broker-dealer o r of letter) | edn a fully dis | closed basis. | 433 within the r | 5 X | 4550 4560 4570 4580 |
| | ype of Proposed Withdrawal or Accrual (See below for code) | Name of Lender or Contributor | Insider or Outsider? (In or Out) | ı | Amount to be Withdrawn (cash amount and/or Net Capital Value of Securities) | , | (MMDDYY) Withdrawal or Maturity Date | Expect to Renew (Yes or No) |
| 31 | 4600 | 4 | 601 | 4602 | | 4603 | 4604 | 4605 |
| 32 | 4610 | 4 | 611] | 4612 | | 4613 | 4614 | 4615 |
| 7 33 | 4620 | 4 | 621 | 4622 | | 4623 | 4624 | 4625 |
| 34 | 4630 | 4 | 631 | 4632 | | 4633 | 4634 | 4635 |
| 3 5 | 4640 | 4 | 641 | 4642 | | 4643 | 4644 | 4645 |
| | | | | Total \$36 | | 4699 PENNIES | | |
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Instructions: Detail Listing must include the total of items maturing during the six month period following the report date, regardless of whether or not the capital contribution is expected to be renewed. The schedule must also include proposed capital withdrawals scheduled within the six month period following the report date including the proposed redemption of stock and anticipated accruals which would cause a reduction of Net Capital. These anticipated accruals would include amounts of bonuses, partners' drawing accounts, taxes, and interest on capital, voluntary contributions to pension or profit sharing plans, etc., which have not been deducted in the computation of Net Capital, but which you anticipate will be paid within the next six months.

WITHDRAWAL CODE:

DESCRIPTIONS

1.

Equity Capital

2.

Subordinated Liabilities

3.

Accruals

Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC SEC File Number 8-67551 Period: May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007

- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements under Rule 15c3-3

Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC is exempt from SEC Rule 15c3-3 under paragraph (k)(2)(i) which states that the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 shall not be applicable to a broker or dealer:

"who carries no margin accounts, promptly transmits all customer funds and delivers all securities received in connection with his activities as a broker or dealer, does not otherwise hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers and effectuates all financial transactions between the broker or dealer and his customers through one or more bank accounts, each to be designated as "Special Account for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers of (name of broker or dealer)".

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Net loss | | (2,936) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash | | |
| used in operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation | | 370 |
| Increase in assets: | | |
| Accounts receivable | | (29,159) |
| Increase in liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable and other | <u></u> | 18,459 |
| Total adjustments | | (10,330) |
| Net cash used in operating activities | | (13,266) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Contribution from member | | 30,000 |
| Distribution to member | | (5,000) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | | 25,000 |
| Net increase in and ending cash | \$ | 11,734 |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing activities: | | |
| Increase in related party payable for acquisition of equipment | \$ | 1,110 |

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. Summary of significant accounting policies and business of the Company:

Formation of the Company:

Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC (the "Company"), a Colorado limited liability company, was formed in August 2006 and received its approval from the NASD and began operating as a licensed broker-dealer on May 22, 2007. The Company is wholly-owned by Ascendant Partners, Inc. (the "Parent"). The member's liability is limited to its capital contribution, except as otherwise required by law.

The member maintains a capital account that is increased or decreased by the amount of profit or loss.

The Company's operations are headquartered in Greenwood Village, Colorado.

Business of the Company:

The Company is a registered broker-dealer subject to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the National Association of Securities Dealers. The Company provides investment banking and advisory services to clients primarily in the renewable energy, food and agribusiness industries. The Company does not hold customer funds or securities.

Equipment and depreciation:

Equipment is stated at cost and is being depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset of 3 years.

Cash and cash equivalents:

The Company considers all highly liquid short-term investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Allowance for doubtful accounts:

Accounts receivable consists of amounts due from clients for investment banking services. The Company's management periodically assesses its accounts receivable for collectibility and establishes an allowance for doubtful accounts and records bad debt when deemed necessary. At December 31, 2007, management determined that an allowance for doubtful accounts was not necessary.

Investment banking and advisory services:

The Company earned substantially all of its revenue from investment banking and advisory services provided under contractual arrangements that generally require clients to pay fixed or determinable service fees or an agreed-upon fee upon the closing of a transaction. The Company recognizes service fees as revenue when the related services are provided and recognizes transaction fees as revenue when the underlying transaction is completed and collectibility is reasonably assured.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. Summary of significant accounting policies and business of the Company (continued):

Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue of \$6,033 represents amounts billed or collected but not yet earned under existing agreements and is classified as "accounts and other borrowings not qualified for net capital purposes" on the Statement of Financial Condition.

Advertising:

The Company expenses advertising costs as incurred. During the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, the Company incurred approximately \$1,000 in advertising expense.

Concentrations:

During the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, three clients accounted for approximately 62%, 23% and 12%, respectively, of the Company's total investment banking and advisory service revenue. At December 31, 2007, the same three clients account for approximately 49%, 34% and 17%, respectively, of the outstanding accounts receivable balance.

Use of accounting estimates in the preparation of financial statements:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income taxes:

Because the Company is a limited liability company, it is not subject to income taxes. Instead, the member is taxed on the Company's taxable income, whether or not distributed. Therefore, these financial statements do not reflect a provision for income taxes.

Comprehensive income:

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 130, Reporting Comprehensive Income, requires disclosure of comprehensive income which includes certain items previously not reported in the statement of income. During the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, the Company did not have any components of comprehensive income to report.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. Summary of significant accounting policies and business of the Company (continued):

Recently issued and enacted accounting pronouncements:

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Financial Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, ("FIN 48") as an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. This interpretation clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in a company's financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109 and prescribes a recognition threshold of more-likely-than-not to be sustained upon examination. Measurement of the tax uncertainty occurs if the recognition threshold has been met. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007. Differences between amounts recognized on the balance sheet prior to the adoption of FIN 48 and the amounts reported after adoption are accounted for as a cumulative effect adjustment recorded to the beginning balance of retained earnings. Management is currently evaluating the impact of this standard on its financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (R), Business Combinations, which becomes effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2008. SFAS No. 141 (R) requires all business combinations completed after the effective date to be accounted for by applying the acquisition method (previously referred to as the purchase method). Companies applying this method will have to identify the acquirer, determine the acquisition date and purchase price and recognize at their acquisition date fair values of the identifiable assets acquired, liabilities assumed, and any non-controlling interests in the acquiree. In the case of a bargain purchase the acquirer is required to reevaluate the measurements of the recognized assets and liabilities at the acquisition date and recognize a gain on that date if an excess remains. Management of the Company does not expect the adoption of this statement to have an impact on its financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an Amendment of ARB 51, which becomes effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2008. This statement amends ARB 51 to establish accounting and reporting standards for the non-controlling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. The statement requires ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent be clearly identified, labeled, and presented in the consolidated statement of financial position within equity, but separate from the parent's equity. The statement also requires consolidated net income to be reported at amounts that include the amounts attributable to both the parent and the non-controlling interest with disclosure on the face of the consolidated statement of income, of the amounts of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the non-controlling interest. In addition this statement establishes a single method of accounting for changes in a parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation and requires that a parent recognize a gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. Management of the Company does not expect the adoption of this statement to have an impact on its financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. Summary of significant accounting policies and business of the Company (continued):

Recently issued and enacted accounting pronouncements (continued):

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, which provides entities with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value and establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. The standard requires entities to provide additional information that will help users of financial statements to more easily understand the effect of the entity's choice to use fair value on its earnings. It also requires entities to display the fair value of those assets and liabilities for which the entity has chosen to use fair value on the face of the balance sheet. The new statement does not eliminate disclosure requirements included in other accounting standards, including requirements for disclosures about fair value measurements included in FASB Statements No. 157, Fair Value Measurements, and No. 107, Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments. This statement is effective as of the beginning of the entity's first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2007. Management is currently assessing the impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 159 may have on its financial statements.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements. This statement defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 does not require any new fair value measurements, but provides guidance on how to measure fair value by providing a fair value hierarchy used to classify the source of the information. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. In November 2007, the FASB announced that it would defer the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for one full year for all non-financial assets and liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. Management is currently assessing the impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 157 may have on its financial statements.

2. Related party payable:

Under an expense sharing agreement, the Parent provides substantially all of the general and administrative services to the Company. These expenses are charged to the Company on a monthly basis and are recorded in the Company's financial statements. At December 31, 2007, the amount owed to the Company's Parent for general and administrative services totaled \$11,794. In addition, the Company has a \$1,110 payable to its Parent for equipment purchased by the Parent on its behalf. These liabilities are non-interest bearing, unsecured and payable on demand.

3. Fair value of financial instruments:

SFAS No. 107, Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments, requires the Company to disclose estimated fair values for its financial instruments, for which it is practicable to estimate fair value. Management believes that it is not practicable to estimate the fair value of the Company's payable to its Parent due to the related party nature of the underlying transactions. Management believes that the carrying amounts of the Company's other financial instruments approximate their fair values because of the short-term maturities of these instruments.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PERIOD FROM MAY 22, 2007 (INCEPTION) THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

4. Net capital requirement:

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2007, the Company had a net capital deficiency of (\$7,835), which was (\$12,835) less than its required net capital of \$5,000 and the Company's net capital ratio was (173%) to 1.

The following is a reconciliation between the Company's computation (included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2007) of net capital and the computation based on the audited financial statements:

| Net capital, as reported in the Company's Part II | | |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| (unaudited FOCUS report) | \$ | 7,167 |
| Audit adjustments to adjust revenue for amounts | | |
| not earned through December 2007 | | (6,033) |
| Audit adjustment to adjust revenue and accounts | | |
| receivable for amounts earned through December | | |
| 2007 | | 5,000 |
| Additional non-allowable assets | | (11,240) |
| Audit adjustments to record additional expenses | | (2,729) |
| Net capital (deficiency) | <u>\$</u> | <u>(7,835</u>) |

These adjustments resulted in an incident of non-compliance with SEC Rule 15c-3-1 for the period from November 30, 2007 through January 9, 2008. Upon receipt of payments on outstanding accounts receivable on January 10, 2008, the Company was in compliance with its net capital requirement pursuant to SEC Rule 15c-3-1.



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To the Member of Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Ascendant Financial Partners, LLC, as of December 31, 2007 and for the period from May 22, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons and recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13.
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. However, we identified the following deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. These conditions were considered in determining the nature, timing and extent of the procedures to be performed in our audit of the financial statements of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, and this report does not affect our report thereon dated March 13, 2008.

Accounting Procedures and Control Activities Related to Revenue Recognition

The Company enters into a variety of contractual arrangements to provide consulting, broker and other services to its clients. Some of these contractual arrangements are complex and contain specific fee payment schedules, which require careful consideration in order to apply the Company's revenue recognition policies and procedures. We noted several instances whereby the Company's management did not properly record revenue in accordance with its revenue recognition policies. Audit adjustments were required at year end to correct certain account balances, including reversing \$6,033 of previously recognized revenue not yet earned under existing agreements and recording \$5,000 of accounts receivable and revenue that had not been recorded in accordance with an existing agreement.

Transaction Recorded in the Improper Period

We noted that the December 31, 2007 cash balance included a \$7,500 deposit that was not actually deposited into the Company's cash account until January 2008. An adjustment was required to reclassify the cash to accounts receivable at year end.

The improper recording of these transactions resulted in errors in the Company's computation of aggregate indebtedness under rule 17a-5(g) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) at December 31, 2007.

These adjustments resulted in an incident of non-compliance with SEC Rule 15c-3-1 for the period from November 30, 2007 through January 9, 2008.

We discussed these matters with the managing partner of the Company and she informed us that, 1). Management will perform a review of control activities and make necessary changes to ensure that transactions are being recognized and recorded when they occur and in the proper period, and 2). Management will perform an analysis of the status of contracts in effect and review transactions to ensure that they are being recognized and recorded in accordance with the Company's stated policies and generally accepted accounting principles.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were inadequate at December 31, 2007, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Company's Member, Board of Directors, management, the SEC, and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

March 13, 2008

SAP Howath, D.C.